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1. INFO REFTEL C PASSED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY (ECONOMIC
AFFAIRS DIVISION, UN BUREAU). MOFA WILL MAKE PLANS
ACCORDINGLY, BUT SOME DIFFICULTIES IN REACHING MINISTERIAL
LEVEL ARE BOUND TO OCCUR. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT
AMB. HESBURGH'S STAY IN TOKYO WILL BE BRIEF AND OVER A
WEEKEND. THE ONLY TIME AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS IS A
MONDAY MORNING. DIET MEMBERS WHO RETURN FROM WEEKEND
VISITS TO THEIR CONSTITUENCIES BESIEGE GOJ MINISTRIES
WITH QUESTIONS ON MONDAY MORNINGS, SO OFFICIAL MEETINGS
ARE USUALLY AVOIDED AT THESE TIMES. WE ALSO NOTE THAT
VISIT TO TOKYO WILL FALL IN MIDDLE OF SUMMER VACATION
PERIOD, AND ALTHOUGH GOJ DOES NOT SHUT DOWN AS
IN SOME EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, MANY OFFICIALS WILL BE
ON VACATION. NONETHELESS, WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT MEETING
WITH GOJ WILL DRAW HIGH-LEVEL ATTENTION, AT DEPUTY
MINISTER OR VICE MINISTER RANK AS MINIMUM.

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2. AS GOJ PLANNING MATERIALIZES, WE WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT
INFORMED OF DETAILS AND LEVEL OF GOJ INVOLVEMENT. IF
SUFFICIENT INTEREST IS GENERATED, WE WILL CONSIDER
RAISING STATURE OF PROPOSED EMBASSY RECEPTION FOR FATHER
HESBURGH BY HAVING MINISTER/COUNSELOR OR DCM ACT AS
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